

104TH CONGRESS  
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# S. 512

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 7 (legislative day, MARCH 6), 1995

Mr. GRASSLEY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. MEDICARE-DEPENDENT, SMALL, RURAL HOS-**  
4       **PITAL PAYMENT EXTENSION.**

5       (a) SPECIAL TREATMENT EXTENDED.—

6               (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1886(d)(5)(G) of  
7       the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
8       1395ww(d)(5)(G)) is amended—

1 (A) in clause (i), by striking “October 1,  
2 1994” and inserting “October 1, 1999”; and

3 (B) in clause (ii)(II), by striking “October  
4 1, 1994” and inserting “October 1, 1999”.

5 (2) EXTENSION OF TARGET AMOUNT.—Section  
6 1886(b)(3)(D) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.  
7 1395ww(b)(3)(D)) is amended—

8 (A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by  
9 striking “September 30, 1994” and inserting  
10 “September 30, 1999”;

11 (B) in clause (ii), by striking “and” at the  
12 end;

13 (C) in clause (iii), by striking the period at  
14 the end and inserting “, and”; and

15 (D) by adding at the end the following new  
16 clause:

17 “(iv) with respect to discharges occurring in fis-  
18 cal years 1995 through 1999, the target amount for  
19 the preceding year increased by the applicable per-  
20 centage increase under subparagraph (B)(iv).”.

21 (3) PERMITTING HOSPITALS TO DECLINE RE-  
22 CLASSIFICATION.—Section 13501(e)(2) of the Omni-  
23 bus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C.  
24 1395ww note) is amended by striking “or fiscal year  
25 1994” and inserting “, fiscal year 1994, fiscal year

1       1995, fiscal year 1996, fiscal year 1997, fiscal year  
2       1998, or fiscal year 1999”.

3           (4)       TECHNICAL       CORRECTION.—Section  
4       1886(d)(5)(G)(i) of the Social Security Act (42  
5       U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(5)(G)(i)), as amended by para-  
6       graph (1), is amended by striking all that follows the  
7       first period.

8       (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
9       this section shall apply with respect to discharges occur-  
10      ring on or after October 1, 1994.

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